

TEAMS APPEAR TO BE VERY EVENLY MATCHED

Enthusiasts Are Prepared to See
Hard Fought Struggle On
Casino Gridiron Today.

SQUADS HERE; READY FOR FRAY

Merchants Will Close Their Stores
During Hours of Game, and Every-
body Who Can Will Make Holiday
of the Afternoon—Record-breaking
Crowd Looked For.

When the whistle is sounded on the Casino gridiron this afternoon at 3 o'clock, what promises to be the greatest football game ever seen in Newport News will begin. Both the Washington and Lee, and the University of North Carolina squads arrived in the city yesterday, and from the expressions of confidence to be heard from the coaches and players, both sides are going into the battle with the expectation of carrying off a victory.

It seems certain that a record-breaking crowd will gather on the Casino for the game. President Sprague, of the Merchants' Association, yesterday requested that all members of the association close their places of business during the hours of the game, and practically all of them have expressed their intention of doing so. The afternoon will be observed as a holiday by everyone who possibly can arrange to do so. A great many people will come from Hampton, Phoebus and Old Point, and Norfolk is expected to send over a large crowd, composed mostly of Carolina enthusiasts.

There are many "Down Homers" in Norfolk, and as this is the only game to be played by the Carolina team in Tidewater this season, it is expected that most of them will find a way to be on hand.

Teams Well Matched.
The teams seem to be well matched and what betting has been done has been at even money. Both eleven average about 170 pounds and both are said to be in prime condition. The sentiment here is generally in favor of Washington & Lee, and that team seems to have a slight advantage in the small amount of "dope" that has been concocted concerning the match. There is, however, very little upon which to base an opinion as to the relative strength of the opponents, and the crowd will go to the Casino today prepared to see a hard fought battle, with the chances very nearly equal.

Squads Arrive in City.
The Washington and Lee contingent reached the city yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock and was escorted to Hotel Warwick by the athletic committee of the Merchants' Association. In the afternoon Coach "Buster" Brown put his men through light practice on the gridiron, around which the canvas fence had been placed. In the line-up will be Fuertstein, the fast little quarterback who made such a fine reputation for himself with William & Mary last year. Fuertstein was picked by several knowing ones as the best quarterback in the South, and he is regarded as a valuable addition to the Washington & Lee squad.

In the afternoon the Carolina squad, accompanied by the coach and a number of students, came over from Norfolk on the steamer Virginia. The Washington and Lee crowd, and quite a party of enthusiasts, as well as the Merchants' Association athletic committee was at the pier to greet the Carolinians.

Only a Little Bit of Fun.
Last night most of the players accepted an invitation to occupy boxes at the Academy of Music and see the cameraphone performance. About 9 o'clock, however, the members of the squad were put to bed. They are in rigid training, and a very little bit of fun goes a long way with them just now. They will be out for practice for awhile today.

Manager Worthington, of the Western Telegraph Company, has run a "loop" to the Casino and a wire will be operated directly from the grounds to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Game Begins at 3 O'clock.
The game is scheduled to begin at 3 o'clock, but the crowd will commence to gather nearly an hour before.

At about 2:45 o'clock the Soldiers' Home band will march around the field, headed by Mr. John R. Moran, who has promised the committee to spring a sensation when he appears on the scene.

Tonight all of the visitors who are not barred by the edicts of the coaches will attend a dance at the Chamberlin hotel.

Mr. Chas. H. Councilman J. J. Chas. H. Councilman J. J. Chas. H. Councilman J. J.

Have you reserved your Star Course ticket?

Social-Personal

Mr. W. A. Benjamin, of New York, is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. Harry Bartlett and little son have gone to New York to spend several weeks with relatives.

Miss Gertrude Webber, of Raleigh, N. C., who has been the guest of friends here left yesterday for her home.

Mrs. Fay J. King, of Bluefield, W. Va., left yesterday for her home after spending a week with friends in this city.

Miss Minta Ryan has returned from a visit to relatives in King and Queen county. She was accompanied home by Mrs. R. L. Williams, who will spend a month in the city.

Mrs. L. T. Fraser and little son are visiting relatives in Portsmouth.

Miss Helen Lucy has returned home after spending several weeks with relatives in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Swinerton returned home yesterday after spending the summer in the North. They spent the greater portion of their time in the Adirondacks and Vermont, and visited Greenfield and Boston.

Mrs. W. E. Stoutmyer and daughter have returned home after an extended visit to relatives in Rockingham county.

Vandyke and Pictures

Herbert and Vance, the musical team that has attracted large crowds to the Dreamland theater during the past two days, will appear here for the last time this afternoon and tonight. Miss Bertha Holland, the singing toe-dancer, will also close her engagement this evening. The entire picture program will be changed today.

Camraphone at the Academy.
Large audiences saw the camraphone performances at the Academy yesterday afternoon and last night. A good program has been arranged for today. The management has announced that the house will be closed during the hours of the football game at the Casino.

At the Bell.
"The Pardon," a drama, "A Strong Gale," "Cast up by the Sea" and "Our Band's Competitions" are the four new pictures on the program for today's shows at the Bell moving picture theater. All of the films are said to be good ones.

Mrs. Howard Dead.
Mrs. George Rodman, of 108 Thirty-first street, received news yesterday of the death of her mother, Mrs. Emma Howard, of Kingsbury, N. J. Mrs. Howard visited her daughter here last winter and made a number of friends in the city.

WATERWAYS' RESOLUTIONS.

Passed by Association—Shouts Delivers Violent Address.
(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 9.—Adopting resolutions advocating the opening of the deep channel connecting the Great Lakes with the Gulf of Mexico to be an imperative duty of the general government and that the work should be immediately begun, the selection of New Orleans for the next convention and re-election of old officers, were the features of the closing session of the Deep Waterways Association.

Two interesting addresses held the attention of the delegates present. They were by Theodore P. Shonis of New York and John A. Ockerson of St. Louis.

Mr. Shonis attacked violently the system of operation of railways by commissions. "The system," Mr. Shonis declared, "is wholly un-American and in violation of the first principles of free government."

WOMAN BADLY CUT.

Negroes Engage in Fight and Both Land in Police Station.
Daniel White and Mattie Ramsey, both negroes, were arrested last night by Patrolman Liveray, the former charged with assault and the latter with disorderly conduct. The woman had an ugly cut in her side, which she said was inflicted by White when she attempted to put him out of her house.

Mr. Peachy's Condition.
The condition of Mr. A. C. Peachy, who is critically ill at his home on Thirtieth street, showed no improvement last night.

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REORGANIZATION OF CHAMBER IS AFFECTED

New Membership Chooses W. S. Copeland to Fill President's Chair.

REPRESENTATIVE BODY PRESENT

Dr. Clarence Porter Jones, the Retiring President, Declines to Serve Again—By-laws Committee's Report Adopted With Few Changes—Emergency Fund to be Set Aside.

With a representative body of men that filled the hall in attendance, the Chamber of Commerce last night effected the re-organization contemplated under the Progress movement. Officers were chosen as follows:

President—W. S. Copeland.
First vice-president—Elias Peyser.
Second vice-president—H. B. Holmes.
Third vice-president—W. Lee Powell.
Treasurer—W. Lee Powell.
Directors—R. M. Lett, W. S. Upshur, W. B. Livezey, E. I. Ford, C. R. Nelms, J. R. Sprague, Ivan H. Wise, W. B. Meyers, Dr. Clarence Porter Jones and the officers.

According to the plan, the old officers and directors of the chamber resigned in a body. A determined effort was made by half a dozen of the most representative members to induce Dr. Clarence Porter Jones to consent to re-election as president. Dr. Jones declared again and again that, while he expected to give all possible to the chamber, it was impossible for him to undertake the duties of the presidency again, as the demands of his practice were such that he would be obliged to neglect some of his duties if he attempted to continue in the president's chair throughout the winter. He nominated Mr. George R. Dabney for the presidency, but Mr. Dabney declined, saying that it would be impossible for him to accept the honor. Messrs. Louis C. Phillips, Elias Peyser, R. M. Lett, W. Lee Powell, W. E. Barrett and Ivan H. Wise were nominated and all deeded with thanks to have their names voted upon.

Rev. E. T. Wellford then nominated Mr. W. S. Copeland, saying that Mr. Copeland was the father of the movement for the rehabilitation of the chamber, and that he was the logical man for the presidency. Mr. Elias Peyser, who was in the chair as temporary chairman, and several others urged Mr. Copeland to accept, and while the nominee was protesting that he was not the proper man for the place, the nominations were closed, he was elected by a unanimous vote, and the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the body.

The new president will announce the appointment of his committees within the next few days. The grain committee, which is elected by the directors, holds over with its present membership.

Before the election of officers was taken up, Chairman Phillips of the special committee on by-laws, read a lengthy report, which was adopted with a few minor changes.

Mr. W. E. Barrett urged that 25 per cent. of the entrance fees and dues of the chamber be put aside for a building fund. After considerable discussion, a by-law was adopted requiring that 10 per cent. of the body's income be put aside as an emergency fund.

Mr. Phillips brought up the question of the annual banquet, but after some discussion this matter was left for the new membership to bring before the body.

Mr. Ivan H. Wise called the body's

attention to the fact that a deep waterways congress is to be held in Baltimore in the near future. The president was authorized to appoint a delegate to the congress, if he deems it advisable to do so.

KILL ON RAIL.

Woman Deliberately Steps in Front of Speeding Train.
(By Associated Press.)

CAPE CHARLES, VA., Oct. 9.—Mrs. Fred Bender, thirty years of age, wife of a prominent mill owner, was struck and instantly killed this morning by the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk express train.

Mrs. Bender and her two small children were walking along the track, when the woman is said to have deliberately stepped in front of the engine, which was running at a high rate of speed. Her neck was broken and both lower limbs were fractured. Mrs. Bender had been in ill health for some time. Her friends ascribe her act to temporary mental derangement.

JURY COMPLETED.

Testimony Begins in Trial of Cashier Overbey.

BOYDTON, VA., Oct. 9.—The panel of jurors for the trial of E. W. Overbey, cashier of the closed Bank of Mecklenburg, accused of misappropriation of funds was completed this morning.

C. J. Faulkner, president of the Bank of Mecklenburg and the three directors who attested the bank's statement to the State Corporation Commission, which statement is alleged to have been false, and Expert Accountant Boudar, who examined the books and papers of the bank were among the first witnesses examined. Boudar will be on the stand again tomorrow.

Death from Fall.
ROANOKE, VA., Oct. 9.—Christopher D. Byrd died at the City Hospital last night as the result of injuries which he received by falling from a street car on last Monday night. Mr. Byrd was standing on the front platform near the edge, and as the car swung around a corner he lost his balance and fell to the street. He was taken to the office of his physician, and his remarks to the doctor, "I am going to die," were his last words. He will be buried at his old home in Franklin county.

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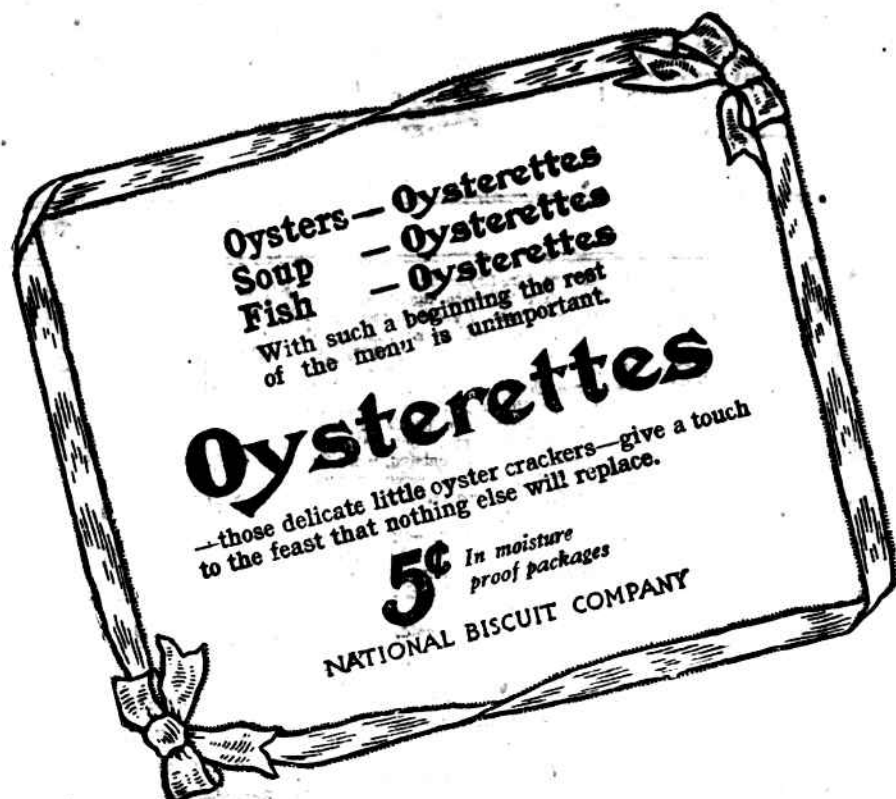
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